

SEATON VALLEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
AND THE
CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR
FOR THE
YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER, 1970



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Clerk	-	George Woodhouse
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To Chairman and Members of Seaton
Valley Council.

I have the honour to submit the Annual Report on the Health of Seaton Valley. This report has been prepared in accordance with the Department of Health Circular 1/71.

Once again the Registrar-General's estimate of population showed an increase to 31,750 (30,320 in 1969). This is to be expected from the steady growth of Cramlington and in the same way the number of inhabited houses increased from 11,279 to 11,644.

The birth rate per 1,000 of the estimated population increased from 18.0 in 1969 to 19.6 in 1970. When corrected by a comparability factor to allow for differences in the age structure of the population compared with the whole of England the 1970 birth rate was 20.4

The Death Rate corrected by the comparability factor was 12.0 compared with 11.90 in 1969 and the Infant Mortality Rate at 18.00 per thousand live births was exactly the same as in 1969.

There was a fairly large outbreak of Measles in 1969 and this may be attributed partly to a shortage of Measles Vaccine in the year prior to the onset. It is to be hoped that parents will now take advantage of the availability of Measles Vaccine as a routine procedure at thirteen months in this way further epidemics in years to come could be prevented.


In conclusion, I would like to express my thanks to the Chairman and Members of the Council for their interest and support during the year, and also to the Chief Public Health Inspector and Staff of the Health Department for their assistance and co-operation.

Your obedient Servant

G. M. CUBIE,

Medical Officer of Health.

27th September, 1971.



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Infectious Diseases:

The total number of infectious diseases notified during 1971 was 296 as compared with 40 during 1969.

Scarlet Fever:

12 cases were notified during the year as against 13 in 1969

Diphtheria:

An absence of Diphtheria in the district for the twenty second year in succession.

Measles:

There was a substantial increase in the number of cases notified 259 cases were notified as against 19 in 1969.

Whooping Cough:

1 case was notified for the year as against 2 in 1969.

Births:

The birth rate is higher than in 1969.

Deaths:

The death rate is higher than in 1969.

Water Supply:

The district was supplied throughout the year with good and wholesome water at sufficient pressure to meet all needs (See Section C).

SECTION A

STATISTICAL AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA:

Area (in acres) - 13,659

Population: Registrar-General's Estimate of population mid-year was 31,750. (30,320)

Inhabited Houses at 1.4.71 - 11,644

Rateable Value (£1,009,705 at 1st April, 1971)
(£ 938,193 at 1st April, 1970)

Sum represented by a penny rate £3,962 (1970/71)

EXTRACT FROM VITAL STATISTICS OF THE YEAR

TOTAL LIVE AND STILL BIRTHS - 355 males and 277 females

Live Births:

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Legitimate:	339	264	603
Illegitimate:	<u>11</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>20</u>
	<u>350</u>	<u>273</u>	<u>623</u> (545)

Distribution of births registered in Seaton Valley area, as shown in Districts:

District	Legitimate		Illegitimate		TOTAL
	Males	Females	Males	Females	
Cramlington:	1	1	-	-	2
Seaton Delaval:	1	1	-	-	2
Seghill:	-	-	-	-	-
Earsdon:	2	2	-	-	4
	4	4	-	-	8

615 births (346 males and 269 females) were registered in other districts. Of these 11 males and 9 females were illegitimate.

Birth Rate:

The birth rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population is 19.6 (18.0 in 1969). Corrected birth rate (comparability factor 1.04) is 20.4.

Still Births:

9 (5 males and 4 females) (5 in 1969)

Rate per 1,000 live and still births - 14.0 (9.0 in 1969).

Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age:

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	6	4	10
Illegitimate	<u>-</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>11</u>

Infant Mortality Rates:

Death rate of infants under 1 year of age:

All infants per 1,000 live births	18.00 (18.00)
Legitimate infants per 1,000 Legitimate live births	17.00 (17.00)
Illegitimate infants per 1,000 Illegitimate live births	50.00 (56.00)

Neo-Natal Mortality Rate:

(Deaths under 4 weeks per 1,000 live births):	14.00 ((13.00)
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Deaths of Infants under 4 weeks of age:

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	6	3	9
Illegitimate	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>6</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>9</u> (7)

Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate::

Deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births:	13.00 (13.00)
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Deaths of infants under 1 week of age:

	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Legitimate	6	2	8
Illegitimate	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>6</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>8</u> (7)

Perinatal Mortality Rate:

(Stillbirths and Deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and still births).	27.00 (22.00)
Maternal Deaths (including abortion).	Nil
Rate per 1,000 live and still births:	Nil

Deaths:

<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>	
179	179	358	(336 in 1969)

Distribution of Deaths in District

District	<u>Males</u>	<u>Females</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cramlington:	61	60	121
Seaton Delaval:	60	48	108
Seghill:	11	16	27
Earsdon:	47	55	102
	179	179	358

Death Rate:

The death rate per 1,000 of the estimated resident population
is 11.3 (11.1)

Corrected Death Rate:

The corrected death rate (comparability factor 1.06) is 12.00
Death from Cancer (all ages) - 78 (61).

CAUSES OF DEATH AT DIFFERENT PERIODS OF LIFE DURING 1970

	Cause of Death	Sex	Total all Ages	Under 4 weeks	4 weeks & under 1 Year	AGE						IN YEARS				
						1=	5=	15=	25=	35=	45=	55=	65=	75=	Over	
						1=	5=	15=	25=	35=	45=	55=	65=	75=	Over	
B4	Enteritis and other Diarrhoeal diseases	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
B5	Tuberculosis of Respiratory system	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B11	Meningococcal Infection	M	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B19(1)	Malignant Neoplasm, Buccal Cavity etc.	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	
		F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	
B19(2)	Malignant Neoplasm, Oesophagus	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
B19(3)	Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach	M	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	2	2	
		F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	2	2	
B19(4)	Malignant Neoplasm, Intestine	M	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	3	1	1	
		F	11	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	7	7	4	1	
B19(6)	Malignant Neoplasm, Lung, Bronchus	M	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
		F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	
B19(7)	Malignant Neoplasm, Breast	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	2	
B19(8)	Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus	F	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	3	1	1	2	
B19(9)	Malignant Neoplasm, Prostate	M	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	
B19(10)	Leukaemia	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B19(11)	Other Malignant Neoplasms	M	6	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	2	2	2	
		F	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	3	
B20	Benign and unspecified Neoplasms	M	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B21	Diabetes Mellitus	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B46(1)	Other Endocrine etc. Diseases	M	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B46(4)	Multiple Sclerosis	M	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B 26	Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	
		F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	
B27	Hypertensive Disease	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
		F	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
B28	Ischaemic Heart Disease	M	68	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	5	19	26	17	2	
		F	42	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	5	12	24	17	

Cause of Death	Sex	Total all ages	Under 4 weeks	4 weeks & under 1 year	AGE					IN YEARS					
					AGE					IN YEARS					
					1-	5-	15-	25-	35-	45-	55-	65-	75 & Over		
B29	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
B30	F	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10
B46(6)	M	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
B31	F	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19
B32	M	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
B33(1)	F	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
B46(7)	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
B34	F	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
B37	F	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
B46(8)	M	13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6
B38	F	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4
B39	M	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
B46(9)	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
B46(11)	M	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
B42	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
B43	M	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
B45	F	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
BE47	M	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
BE48	F	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
BE49	M	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
BE50	F	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5
TOTAL ALL CAUSES	M	179	6	-	-	-	2	1	3	10	37	65	55		
	F	179	3	2	-	-	-	-	5	9	23	45	92		

SECTION B

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA:

Laboratory Facilities:

Use was made of the Public Health Laboratory at Newcastle General Hospital. The following examinations were made in the Laboratory in 1970:-

<u>Examination Requested</u>	<u>No. of Specimens</u>	<u>Positive</u>	<u>Negative</u>
B. Tuberculosis Sputum	7	7	-
Faeces Sh. Sonne	5	1	4
Salmonella Typhimurium	16	5	11
E. Coli	<u>6</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5</u>
	<u>34</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>20</u>

Ambulance Services:

These are under the jurisdiction of the Northumberland County Council. There is an Ambulance Depot of the County Council in Seaton Delaval, which houses four modern ambulance vehicles and there is a 24 hour service.

Nursing in the Home

This is dealt with by the Northumberland County Council.

Hospitals:

Infectious disease cases are now dealt with at Walkergate Hospital, Newcastle upon Tyne. General medical and surgical cases are dealt with at hospitals administered by the Newcastle Regional Hospital Board.

SECTION C

Sanitary Conditions of the Area:

Water Supply:

Water distributed throughout the area by the Newcastle and Gateshead Water Company was sampled and found to be of satisfactory purity.

Public Sewers:

A contract has been let for re-laying of a section of the Briardene Sewer. This is expected to be completed by the end of September, 1971.

Rivers and Streams:

Closet Accommodation)	
Public Cleansing)	
Sanitary Inspection of the District)	
Shops and Offices)	These items are dealt
Camping Sites)	with in the Chief Public
Smoke Abatement)	Health Inspector's Report
Swimming Baths and Pools)	
Eradication of Bed Bugs)	

Schools:

The sanitary conditions and the water supply of all schools in the Area have been satisfactory.

SECTIONS D & E

relating to Housing and inspection and supervision of Food are dealt with in the Chief Public Health Inspector's report.

SECTION F

PREVALENCE OF, CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES

Scarlet Fever:

12 (13) cases of Scarlet Fever were notified. All cases were isolated at home.

Distribution in districts was:

Cramlington:	1	(-)	case(s)
Seaton Delaval:	5	(2)	"
Seghill:	1	(-)	"
Earsdon:	<u>5</u>	<u>(11)</u>	"
	<u>12</u>	<u>(13)</u>	"

Incidence of Scarlet Fever per 1,000 of the population was 0.38 (0.43)

Diphtheria:

The district was free of Diphtheria during the year.

Pneumonia:

0 (0) cases of Pneumonia were notified.

Deaths - 12 (17)

Death rate per 1,000 of the population was 0.38 (0.56)

Notifiable Diseases (excluding Tuberculosis) during 1970

Disease	Cases Notified	Cases admitted to Hospital	Total Deaths
Measles	259	-	-
Dysentery	3	3	-
Hepatitis	8	-	-
Scarlet Fever	12	-	-
Whooping Cough	1	-	-
Food Poisoning	1	-	-

Analysis of Total Notified Cases under Age Groups

Disease	Age Unknown	Under 1	1	2	3	4	5	10	15	20	35	45	65 and Over
Measles	4	7	37	46	41	31	91	-	2	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hepatitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1	1	-	-	-	1
Scarlet Fever	-	-	-	1	1	1	7	2	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-

Prevention of Blindness

No case of Ophthalmia Neonatorum was notified during the year.

Tuberculosis:

At the beginning of the year 141 (146) cases were on the register, 113 Pulmonary and 28 Non-Pulmonary, 12 new cases, 11 Pulmonary and 1 Non-Pulmonary, were notified during the year, and 4 cases of Pulmonary Tuberculosis were transferred from other districts.

8 cases were removed from the Register for the following reasons:- 3 Pulmonary and 1 Non-Pulmonary cases recovered, one case left the District, one died through causes other than tuberculosis and two cases refused to attend for treatment.

At the 31st December, 1970, 149 cases - 121 Pulmonary and 28 Non-Pulmonary, were on the register distributed as follows:-

District	Pulmonary		Non-Pulmonary	
	Male	Female	Male	Female
Cramlington:	23	23	1	9
Seaton Delaval:	10	13	4	4
Seghill:	6	5	1	2
Earsdon:	20	21	4	3
	59	62	10	18

New Cases and Mortality during 1970

Age Periods	New Cases		Deaths	
	Respiratory	Non-Respiratory	Respiratory	Non-Respiratory
Age Unknown	-	-	-	-
Under 1	-	-	-	-
1-	-	-	-	-
5-	1	-	-	-
15-	4	-	-	-
25-	1	-	-	-
35-	2	1	-	-
45-	2	-	-	-
55-	1	-	-	-
65 & Over	-	-	1	-
	11	1	1	-

One death from Pulmonary Tuberculosis (not registered) was notified during the year. Death rate from Tuberculosis (all forms) 0.00 (0.00) per 1,000 cases on the register at the 31st December, 1970.

Death rate per 1,000 population was 0.03 (0.00).

Notification of Tuberculosis:

No action was necessary to enforce notification.

Tuberculosis, B.C.G. Vaccination:

The number of school children B.C.G. vaccinated by the School Medical Officers during 1970 was - 446

Venereal Diseases:

Propaganda has been conducted on the lines suggested by the Ministry of Health and Central Council for Health Education.

No case had applied to the Department for advice.

National Assistance Act, 1948 Sec. 47:

No action under the above was necessary during the year.

Incidence of Infectious Diseases Notified excluding Tuberculosis

Years 1961-1970

	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970
Scarlet Fever	3	3	6	6	2	5	2	5	13	12
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia	7	3	-	-	2	3	-	1	-	-
Whooping Cough	1	2	3	1	-	-	1	-	2	1
Measles	350	162	296	61	257	180	130	114	19	259
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Paratyphoid	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	5	-	-	3	-	2	-	-	-	1
Dysentery	19	6	-	4	-	35	10	10	1	3
Meningitis & Cerebro Spinal Fever	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malaria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Poliomyelitis Paralytic	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
" Non-Paralytic	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Typhoid	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis Infective	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Encephalitis Post Infectious	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Anthrax	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Hepatitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	8
	386	179	306	75	263	226	143	136	36	284

SEATON VALLEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Annual Report of the Chief Public Health
Inspector for the year ending 31st December,
1970

To the Chairman and
Members of the Council.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The following 16 houses in clearance areas, subject to demolition orders, or in respect of which undertakings have been accepted, were occupied on 31st December, 1970.

<u>Cramlington Area</u>	<u>No. of houses</u>
Plessey New Houses	2
Station Road	<u>1</u> 3
<u>Earsdon Area</u>	
Percy Terrace	1
West Row	3
Dukes Cottages	<u>4</u> 8
<u>Seghill Area</u>	
Chapel Row	2
Blaketown Bungalows	<u>3</u> 5
	<u>16</u>

102 condemned houses were emptied during the year. 207 condemned houses were demolished, viz:-

Station Road, Cramlington.	8
Warkworth Street, Backworth	30
Hotspur Street, "	28
Prudhoe Street, "	26
Percy Street, "	35
Church Street, "	34
Spice Cake Row, Seghill.	17
Barrass Row "	25
Reid's Lane, Seghill.	4
	<u>207</u>

Repair of Dwellings:

421 inspections of house property were made and 43 houses repaired as a result.

Discretionary Grants:

1. During the year 46 applications for Discretionary Grants were approved by the Council at an average grant of £374.0.0.
2. Since the inception of the scheme 253 houses had been approved for grants by 31st December, 1970.

The Bertram Place, Shiremoor General Improvement Area including 142 private properties was declared, and schemes for the improvement of the Area environment were in preparation..

<u>Standard Grants:</u>	<u>During the year</u>	<u>Total to date</u>
1. Number of separate homes for which grants have been made:	25	223
2. Number of houses provided with:		
(a) Bath or shower	14	180
(b) Wash hand Basin	17	191
(c) Hot water supply	16	179
(d) Water closet	24	188
(e) Sink	15	152

Rent Act, 1957:

No applications for Certificates of Disrepair were received.

Drainage:

Drainage Inspected, Tested and Passed during 1969

Old drains removed	-	feet
New 4" drain installed	603	
" 6" " "	-	
" trapped gullies provided	56	
" W.C.s provided	45	
Inspection chambers provided	29	
Baths provided	36	
Sinks "	15	
Lavatory basins provided	37	

Clean Air Act, 1956:

There are now 2457 properties, domestic and Industrial in the Cramlington Smoke Control Area. It has not been necessary to bring any contraventions before the Council any such cases being dealt with informally, No shortage of solid smokeless fuel was reported or found during the winter.

INFECTIOUS DISEASE

50 visits were made in connection with cases of infectious disease.

FOOD INSPECTION

51 visits were paid to food shops and the undermentioned foods condemned as unfit for human consumption:-

Product	Tins	lbs.	Product	Tins	lbs.
Apple	6	11 $\frac{1}{4}$	Steak & Kidney pie	4	3 $\frac{1}{2}$
Apricots	7	5 $\frac{1}{2}$	Ham & Beef Roll	4	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Blackberries	1	1	Bacon	-	108
Fruit Salad	12	12	Chopped Pork	5	16 $\frac{3}{4}$
Grapefruit	20	22	Pork Luncheon	5	7
Oranges	15	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	Chopped Ham & Pork	25	12
Peaches	20	20 $\frac{1}{2}$	Cooked Ham	2	21
Pears	34	49 $\frac{1}{4}$	Tongue	3	1
Pineapple	23	23	Macaroni	7	6 $\frac{3}{4}$
Plums	3	3 $\frac{3}{4}$	Rice	17	15 $\frac{3}{4}$
Prunes	3	2	Sago	3	2 $\frac{3}{4}$
Raspberries	3	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	Semolina	2	2
Rhubarb	2	2 $\frac{1}{2}$	Tapioca	2	2
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Product	Tins	lbs.	Product	Tins	lbs.
Strawberries	3	2 $\frac{1}{4}$	Custard Powder	2	1 $\frac{1}{2}$
Tomatoes	85	58 $\frac{1}{2}$	Blackcurrant Filling	12	10
Baked Beans	16	14 $\frac{1}{2}$	Date Sponge Pudding	1	$\frac{3}{4}$
Broad Beans	2	1 $\frac{3}{4}$	Evaporated Milk	24	-
Butter Beans	2	2	Dairy Cream	2	1
Green Beans	8	6	Soup	31	26
Carrots	6	4 $\frac{1}{2}$	Salmon	5	2 $\frac{1}{4}$
Peas	104	89 $\frac{3}{4}$	Hot Dog Sausages	5	1 $\frac{1}{4}$
Potatoes	2	1 $\frac{1}{4}$	Spaghetti	7	2 $\frac{1}{4}$
Vegetable Salad	2	1 $\frac{3}{4}$	Mushrooms	2	1 $\frac{1}{4}$
Beef Flanks	-	14	Chicken Noodle Meal	1	1
Corned Beef	12	45 $\frac{1}{4}$	Coffee	1 Jar	2 oz.
Minced Beef	4	3			
Steak	6	6			

Ice Cream:

There was, on the 31st December, 1970, one premise where ice cream was made and sold, and 67 other premises were registered for the sale of ice cream. The following samples were taken:-

Ministry of Health Provisional Grading

No. of Samples	Grade I	II	III	IV
43	34	7	2	-

Water:

20 samples were taken and found to be of satisfactory quality.

Food Hygiene:

The following inspections were made during the year:-

Greengrocers	51	Canteens	45
Butchers Shops	33	Clubs and Pubs	25
Fried Fish Shops	4	Ice Cream Shops	77
Grocers	49	Food Inspection	51
Confectioners	62	Food Vans	42
Bakehouses	2	Ice Cream	
General Dealers	88	Manufacturers	3
Preserved Food Premises	11		

OFFICES, SHOPS AND RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

(a) Registration and General Inspection:

Class of Premises	Number of Premises Registered during year	Number of Premises Registered at end of year	Number of Premises Receiving a general inspection during the year
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Offices	3	28	28
Retail Shops	6	90	90
Wholesale Shops, Warehouses	-	1	1
Catering Establishments open to public, Canteens	1	13	13
Fuel Storage Depots	-	-	-
TOTALS	10	132	132

Total number of visits of all kinds by Inspectors to registered premises under the Act - 180.

(b) Contraventions	-	11
(c) Exemptions	-	Nil
(d) Prosecutions	-	Nil
(f) Reported Accidents	-	Nil.

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

	No. on Register	Inspections	Written Notices	Occupiers Prosecuted
Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6, are enforced by the Council:	-	-	-	-
Factories not included in above where Section 7 is enforced by the Council:	59	95	1	-
Other premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Council:	-	-	-	-
	59	65	1	-

Cases in which defects were found

	Number of cases in which defects were found				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted
	Found	Remedied	To H.M. Inspector	By H.M. Inspector	
Want of cleanliness (S.1)	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2)	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4)	-	-	-	-	-
Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable or defective	1	1	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences (not including offences relating to outworkers)	-	-	-	-	-
TOTALS	1	1	-	-	-

PETROLEUM ACTS AND REGULATIONS

	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970
No. of licences issued to store petroleum spirit:	21	21	21	20	21	21
No. of licences issued to store calcium carbide:	-	-	-	-	-	-
No. of inspections made of above stores:	23	27	41	43	97	81

RODENT CONTROL

325 treatments for rat infestation and 33 for mice were made during the year. As in the past, no charge was levied for treatments to dwelling houses.

CIVIC AMENITIES ACT 1967

Since the implementation of this Act early in 1968, 475 visits have been made resulting in the removal of 121 abandoned vehicles.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL

In 1970 your fleet of refuse vehicles was as under:-

<u>Registration Number</u>	<u>Date of Registration</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Fleet No.</u>
ONL 878F	1.5.68	50 cub. yds. Paxit	1
GTY 51D	1.2.66	50 cub. yds. Paxit	2
NJR 316F	1.11.67	50 cub. yds. Paxit	3
OTY 815B	14.10.64	35 cub. yds. Paxit	4
TJR 951 H	14.8.69	50 cub. yds. Paxit	5

Your cleansing staff comprised:-

1 Foreman	4 Drivers	1 Tipman
	16 Binlifters	1 Salvage man.

The number of working days lost in 1970 was 176 owing to illness and 330 owing to holidays and absence.

The coming into operation of the pulverising plant at Seghill will allow (except for emergencies) the closing of the East Cramlington refuse tipping site - and its clothing with soil. I am sure the virtual end of tipping here with its attendant nuisances will be welcomed. The transfer of disposal operations to Seghill does not mean that the nuisances experienced at East Cramlington will also be transferred to Seghill. The pulverising refuse should eliminate all danger from fire, vermin and smell and when the soil stripped from the site before tipping began is used to cover the pulverised refuse this improved land will be reclaimed to agriculture.

The approximate tonnage of refuse collected was 9488.

STATISTICS

Population 31,750

No. of houses with bins	-	7,140
No. of houses with privy boxes	-	-
No. of houses with pail closets	-	3
No. of houses with paper sack holders-		4,501 (June, 1971)

Operation Statistics

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|---|-----------------|
| 1. Total Refuse Collected | 9,488 tons |
| 2. Weight (cwts,) per 1000 population per day | 16.37 cwts. |
| 3. Number of premises from which refuse is collected | 12,015 premises |
| 4. Premises from which collection is made at least once weekly. | 100% |
| 5. Average haul single journey | 3 miles |
| 6. Kerbside collection expressed as estimated percentage | NIL |
| 7. Total refuse disposed of | 9,488 tons |
| 8. Method of disposal
Controlled tipping | 100% |
| 9. Salvage analysis of income. | |

Income

	£	Tons
Scrap Metal	2143	184
Waste Paper	167	12
Other Salvage	<u>2310</u>	<u>196</u>

10. Trade Refuse

Income	NIL
Tonnage	NIL

Conclusion:

I would like to thank the Chairman and Members of the Council, Dr. Cubie, and the staff of the Health Department for their support and advice during the year.

Your obedient Servant,

R. SIMPSON,

Chief Public Health Inspector.

